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**RESPONSE TO JULY 6, 2006 NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE  
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**AMENDMENTS**

**Introductory Comments**

In reply to the Notice of Allowance of July 6, 2006, applicant remarks as follows.